

A BRIDE'S STORY

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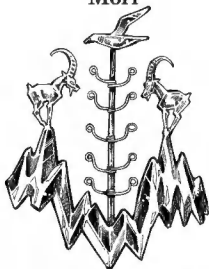




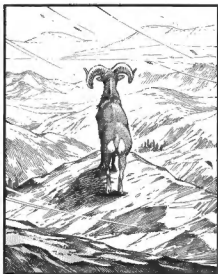
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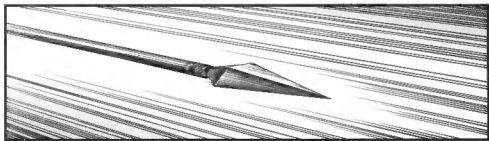


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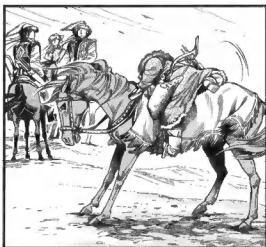
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GAME





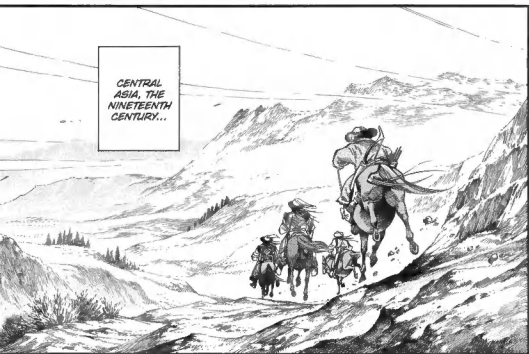








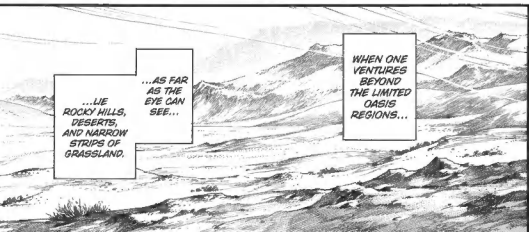
CENTRAL
ASIA, THE
NINETEENTH
CENTURY...



...LIE
ROCKY HILLS,
DESERTS,
AND NARROW
STRIPS OF
GRASSLAND.

...AS FAR
AS THE
EYE CAN
SEE...

WHEN ONE
VENTURES
BEYOND
THE LIMITED
OASIS
REGIONS...

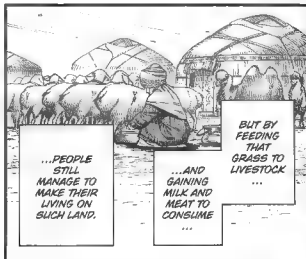




ONLY
SPARSE
PATCHES
OF GRASS
MANAGE TO
SURVIVE.



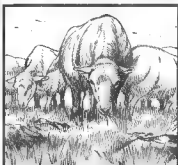
A LACK OF
RAIN MEANS
THE LAND IS
EXTREMELY
DRY,
ALLOWING
LITTLE TO
GROW.



...PEOPLE
STILL
MANAGE TO
MAKE THEIR
LIVING ON
SUCH LAND.

BUT BY
FEEDING
THAT
GRASS TO
LIVESTOCK
...

...AND
GAINING
MILK AND
MEAT TO
CONSUME
...



...AND
WHATEVER
GAME THEY
CAN HUNT.

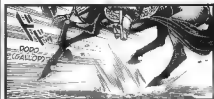


THEIR
DAILY MEALS
MOSTLY
CONSIST
OF DAIRY
PRODUCTS
AND
BREAD...

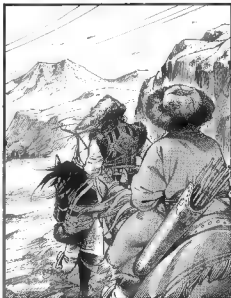


FOR THE
NOMADS,
THEIR
LIVESTOCK
ARE THEIR
ASSETS.

ONLY AT
LIMITED TIMES
DO THEY KILL
THEIR ANIMALS
FOR THE MEAT.







SO STAY
HERE AND
WATCH.

YOU
WON'T BE
ABLE TO
SHOOT IN
A CHASE
YET.



WE'LL
WAIT
HERE.



.....ALL
RIGHT.



YES.



...TRYING
TO LEARN
THE BOW?

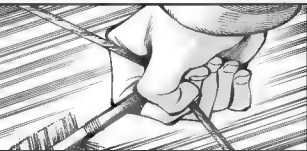
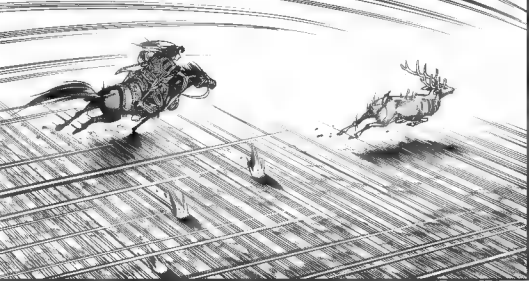
YOU
WANT TO
STAY HERE
AWHILE...





















I WANT
TO MAKE
MYSELF
STRONGER.



NO...
THE...

...THE
REASON I
WANT TO
LEARN THE
BOW ISN'T
REALLY FOR
HUNTING...



AH!
BUT...

...I DO
ACTUALLY
WANT TO
BECOME
A BETTER
HUNTER!



SO I
NEED TO
DO
SOME-
THING...



IF I'M
ABLE TO
DO THIS,
THEN
MAYBE...

...
SOME-
HOW...

...I CAN
MAKE A
DIFFER-
ENCE...



I
THINK
...

...IT'D BE
BETTER IF
I COULD
PROTECT
PEOPLE...



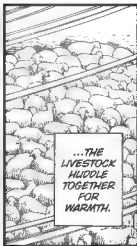
IF
SOMETHING
BAD
HAPPENS
AGAIN...

...I DON'T
WANT TO
BE THE
ONE WHO
CAN'T DO
ANYTHING...









...THE
LIVESTOCK
HUDDLE
TOGETHER
FOR
WARMTH.



AS THE
COLD WINDS
BLOW
ACROSS
THE HIGH
PLAINS...



...IN
ADVANCE
OF THE
SEASON
THEY
KNOW IS
COMING.

THE PEOPLE
PRESERVE
FOOD AND
STOCKPILE
IT...



SO IT IS
WHEN
AUTUMN
COMES TO
CALL.

CHAPTER 63
GOLDEN EAGLE









THOSE
ANIMALS
THAT DO NOT
HAVE THE
STRENGTH
LEFT TO SEE
OUT THE
WINTER ARE
SLAUGHTERED
FOR THEIR
MEAT...

...AND
BECOME
WINTER
PROVI-
SIONS.



WINTER
ON THE
PLAINS IS
HARSH.

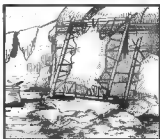
FEED
FOR THE
LIVESTOCK
IS LIMITED.



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BEKI
(CRACK)





























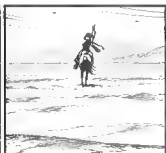




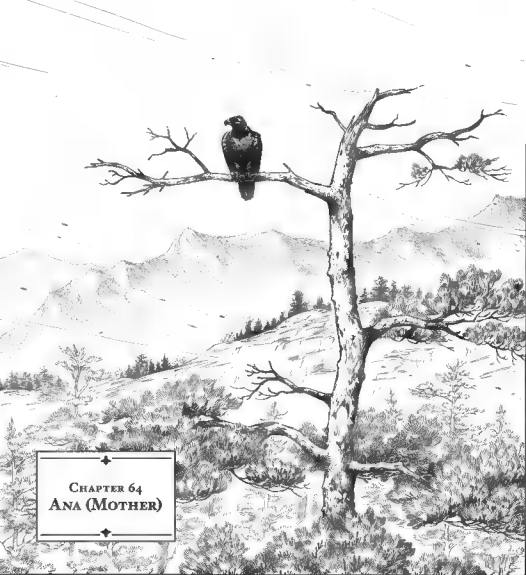




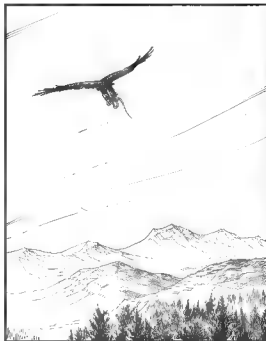


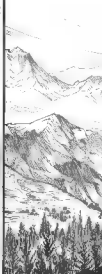














...KNOWN
FOR BEING
EXCELLENT
HUNTERS OF
GROUND
PREY.

THEY ARE
LARGE
RAPTORS...



FAMILY:
ACCIPITRIDAE.
GENUS:
AGUILA.
SPECIES:
AGUILA
CHRYSAETOS.
THE GOLDEN
EAGLE.

THEY COVER
A BROAD
RANGE OF THE
MOUNTAINS
OF CENTRAL
ASIA.



...THE FULLY
GROWN
BIRDS ARE
RETURNED
TO THE
WILD...

AFTER
FOUR
OR FIVE
YEARS OF
HUNTING...



IN
CENTRAL
ASIA...

...FEMALE
GOLDEN
EAGLES
ARE
WIDELY
USED.



...AT WHICH
POINT,
A NEW
EAGLE IS
CAPTURED.



YOUNG
ONES
ARE
CAPTURED
JUST
BEFORE
LEAVING
THE
NEST...

...AND
ARE
TRAINED
IN THE
HUNT.



JUST A
LITTLE
FARTHER...



GOOD!

NOW
BRING
ME
UP!



I KNOW,
I KNOW.

SETTLE
DOWN.

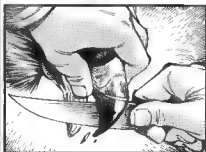


BOFU
(HAND)



KEEP
LOWERING
ME
DOWN...









AT FOUR
YEARS OF
AGE, THE
GOLDEN
EAGLE'S
CROWN
FEATHERS
COME IN...

...AND IT
CARRIES
ITSELF WITH
A MUCH
MORE
CONFIDENT
POSTURE.



DODO
(GALLOPS)



THIS IS
ALSO WHEN
THEY REACH
SEXUAL
MATURITY...

...AND ARE
READY TO
BREED.

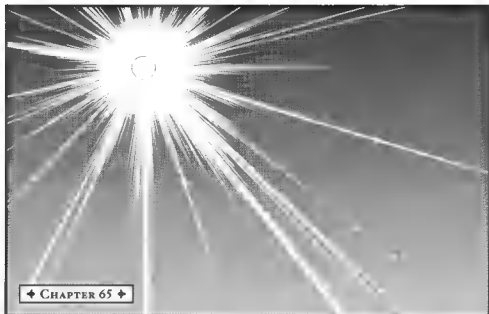




...ARE
RESPECT-
FULLY
NAMED
"ANA"—
"MOTHER"—
FROM
THEN ON.

THE
EAGLES
RETURNED
TO THE
WILD...

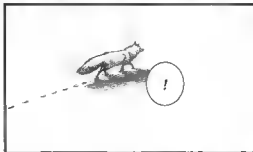






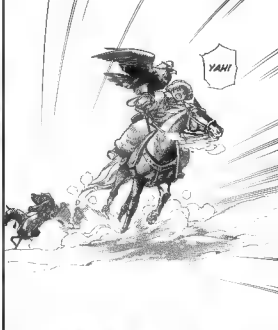
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MOUNTED
FALCONRY
◆



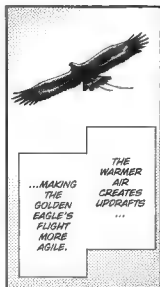




WINTER
IS THE
SEASON
FOR
FALCONRY.

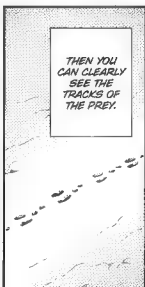


YAH!



...MAKING
THE
GOLDEN
EAGLE'S
FLIGHT
MORE
AGILE.

THE
WARMER
AIR
CREATES
UPDRAFTS
...



THEN YOU
CAN CLEARLY
SEE THE
TRACKS OF
THE PREY.



THE BEST
TIME TO
HUNT IS
DIRECTLY
AFTER A
SNOWFALL
...

...IDEALLY,
ON A
SUNNY
DAY.

...MAKING
CLIMBING
MOUNTAINS
ON FOOT
VERY
DIFFICULT.



A GOLDEN
EAGLE
WEIGHS
ABOUT
THIRTEEN
POUNDS...



...THE
HUNTER
CLIMBS TO
HIGHER
GROUND
WITH BETTER
LINES OF
SIGHT.



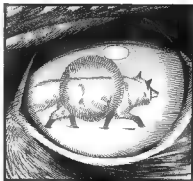
WHEN
PREY IS
SPOTTED...

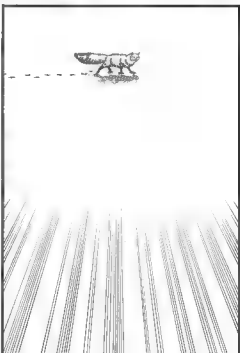
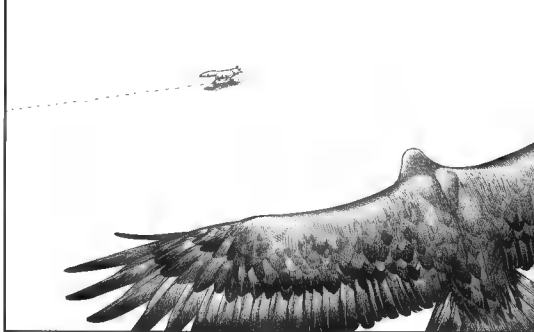
FOR THAT
REASON, THE
MAJORITY
OF HUNTERS
MOVE ON
HORSEBACK.

THIS IS
MOUNTED
FALCONRY.

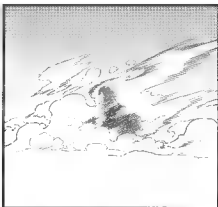








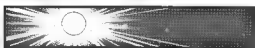














AND
GET THAT
DOOR
SHUT! THE
DRAFTS
ARE
FIERCE!

HURRY!
GET IN,
KARLUK!



JORLUK
...?



HAVE
HIM FIX
IT.

THE
LEATHER-
WORKING
TOOLS
ARE IN
JORLUK'S
YURT.



BRR...

IT'S
COLD...



AHH...
I SEE...

IT
RIPPED
BECAUSE
IT
FROZE.



WHAT
BRINGS
YOU
HERE...

...
KARLUK?













MAYBE
I'LL HAVE
TO ASK
HER...

...TO VISIT
A LITTLE
MORE OFTEN
THAN ONCE A
MONTH.

FOR
WHAT-
EVER
REASON
...

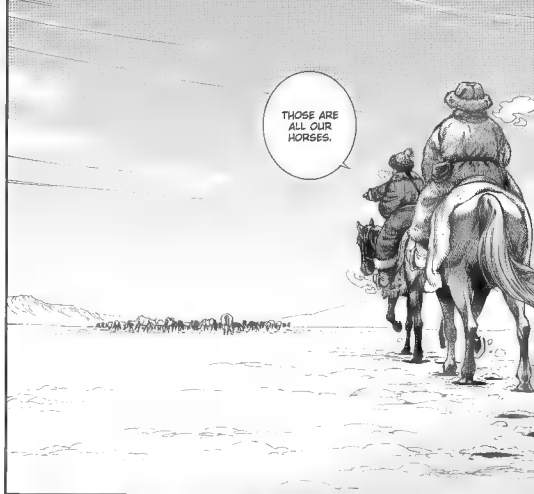
...I CAN'T
STOP
THINKING
ABOUT HOW
MUCH I
WANT TO
TALK TO
AMIR.



NEXT
TIME SHE
COMES...

...I'LL BE
SURE TO
ASK HER.











CHAPTER 66
GOING TO WATCH
THE HORSES





NOTHING
PARTICULAR
TO REPORT.

THEY'RE
ALL WELL.

HAS
ANYTHING
UNUSUAL
HAPPENED?

IS
EVERYONE
WELL?



I THINK
NEXT
MONTH WILL
BE THE
COLDEST.

THE
TOWN
IS STILL
FAIRLY
WARM.



IT'S GOTTEN
PRETTY COLD
HERE SINCE
LAST MONTH.

IN THE
MORNING,
THE WATER IN
THE JUG IS
FROZEN AND
WON'T POUR.



IT'S A
PRETTY
HARD LIFE
OUT
HERE.



AND WHEN
A COLD WAVE
COMES THROUGH,
THE LIVESTOCK
CAN DIE, AND
THEN WE'RE
REALLY AT A
LOSS.

WINTER
BRINGS A
SCARCITY OF
RATIONS.



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7
ZAKU
OKINAWA

.....YES,
THAT'S
TRUE.

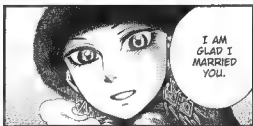


BUT...

....AFTER
YOU GET
USED TO IT,
YOU GET
TO SEE THE
BEAUTY TOO.



UH-
HUH...

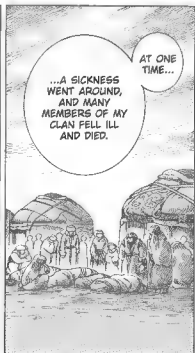






THEY SAY,
EVEN WHEN
THERE WERE
MARRIAGE
OFFERS, HE
TURNED THEM
DOWN.

FATHER
WANTED TO
KEEP THE FEW
FEMALE HANDS
HE HAD LEFT.



...A SICKNESS
WENT AROUND,
AND MANY
MEMBERS OF MY
CLAN FELL ILL
AND DIED.

AT ONE
TIME...



BUT...

...MY LATE
GRANDFATHER
CONVINCED
HIM FOR ME.



...I
THOUGHT
FOR SURE
THAT THE
MAN THEY
HAD CHOSEN
FOR ME
WOULD BE
SOMEONE
VERY OLD.

SO WHEN
THE
DECISION
WAS
MADE...

EVEN I
KNEW I WAS
GETTING
BEYOND
MARRIAGEABLE
AGE.



GO OUT
AND FIND
SOMEONE TO
MARRY HER
BEFORE
SHE GETS
ANY OLDER!

IT WOULD BE
A SHAME FOR
AMIR TO BE
LEFT TAKING
CARE OF THE
FAMILY FOR THE
REST OF HER
LIFE.





YOU WERE
SO LITTLE AND
CUTE, MUCH
MORE THAN I
IMAGINED.



"CUTE."

"LITTLE."



AT THAT
MOMENT...



...I WAS VERY
HAPPY IT
TURNED OUT
THAT WAY.









I...

...LOVE
YOU,
KARLUK.



BUT
THAT IS
NOT WHAT'S
IMPORTANT.



I DO
NOT HATE
SOMEONE
FOR THEIR
WEAKNESS.

I DO NOT
LOVE
SOMEONE
FOR THEIR
STRENGTH.



AND
WOULD I
LIKE YOU TO
GROW UP
QUICKLY?
YES, I
WOULD.

I KNOW
HOW MUCH
YOU WANT
TO MAKE
YOURSELF
STRONGER.



EVEN A
WOLF GETS HIS
MEALS FROM
HIS MOTHER
WHEN HE'S
YOUNG.

AND EVEN
HE GETS
WEAK AS HE
GETS OLDER.

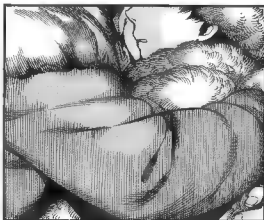


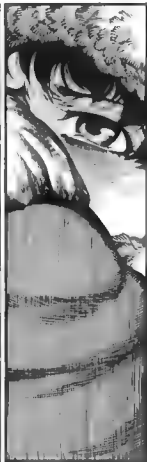
THAT IS
NOT HOW
THINGS
WORK.



BUT IT
DOES NOT
CHANGE
THE FACT
THAT HE IS
A WOLF.

HE IS THE
PROUD BLUE
WOLF.







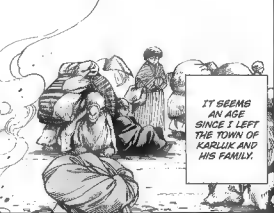


◆ CHAPTER 67 ◆





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CHAPTER 67
VILLAGE ON
THE BORDER
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IT SEEMS
AN AGE
SINCE I LEFT
THE TOWN OF
KARLUK AND
HIS FAMILY.



AH...
THOSE MEN
HAVE ALREADY
GIVEN UP HOPE
AND STARTED
BREWING
THEIR TEA.



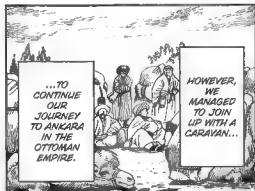
...ALL THE
WAY TO MY
DESTINATION,
ANKARA.

ALI IS
STILL
SERVING
AS MY
GUIDE...



THE VARIOUS
REGIONS AND
PEOPLE WE
ENCOUNTERED
HAVE LEFT
A DEEP
IMPRESSION
ON ME.

THE
PEOPLE
CHANGE
ALONG
WITH THE
CHANGING
LAND-
SCAPE.



...TO
CONTINUE
OUR
JOURNEY
TO ANKARA
IN THE
OTTOMAN
EMPIRE.

HOWEVER,
WE
MANAGED
TO JOIN
UP WITH A
CARAVAN...



OUR
ROAD...

...HAS BEEN
FRAUGHT WITH
DISASTER.
BANDITS STOLE
OUR CAMELS
AND ALL THE
SUPPLIES
PACKED ON
THEM.



RATHER THAN
FACE THE
PASSES IN A
SNOWSTORM...

...I THINK
IT'S BETTER
TO WAIT AND
SEE.



WE HAD
STOPPED IN
THIS VILLAGE
TO OBTAIN
WATER
AND OTHER
SUPPLIES
WHEN...

...THE
CARAVAN
LEADER
SAID...

DON'T LIKE
THE WEATHER
IN THE
MOUNTAINS.



ONCE WE'VE
CROSSED
THE
MOUNTAINS,
WE WILL BE
IN IMPERIAL
TERRITORY.

PRESENTLY,
WE ARE ON
THE BORDER
OF PERSIA
AND THE
OTTOMAN
EMPIRE.



THE CAMELS
ARE BURDENED
WITH A LOAD
OF TRADE
GOODS OF
CONSIDERABLE
WEIGHT, SO
PROGRESS IS
SLOW.

EVEN SO, WE
HAVE LITTLE
CHOICE BUT
TO PROCEED
ALONG WITH
THE CARAVAN.



AND WITH
THAT, FOR
A NUMBER
OF LONG
HOURS...

...WE HAVE
BEEN
SITTING,
WAITING,
AND
OTHERWISE
DOING
NOTHING.















...WHAT'RE
YOU GONNA
DO WHEN
WE REACH
ANKARA?

COME
TO THINK
OF IT,
BOSS...



A FRIEND
OF MINE
SHOULD BE
THERE.

FIRST,
I'D MEET
HIM...



OH.....

AH,
YES.



THEN
I'D SEE IF
I COULD
BORROW A
CAMERA.

I HEAR
THEY MAKE
SOME GOOD
ONES THESE
DAYS.





AND
THAT FIRST
PAYMENT WILL
COVER THIS
EXTRA TRIP?

.....



...
RATHER
THAN
SOMEONE
NEW.

...SO I WOULD
PREFER TO BE
WITH SOMEONE
I KNOW...

I SHALL
HAVE
EXTRA
BAGGAGE
...



CAN'T
YOU?

OH,
PLEASE!



HMM...



YOU
SHOULDA
SAID THAT
FROM THE
START!

I'M
ALWAYS
HAPPY
TO GET
EXTRA
PAY!



I'LL...

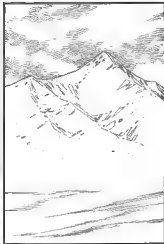
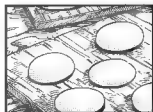
I'LL PAY
THE SAME
FOR GOING
BACK AS
COMING
HERE!

YOU WILL
OF COURSE
BE PAID AN
ADDITIONAL
FEE!

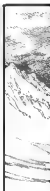


YOU'RE
ON!





















PRETTY!

PRETTY!



WHEN
THERE WERE
NO MORE
CAMELS TO
SHEAR...

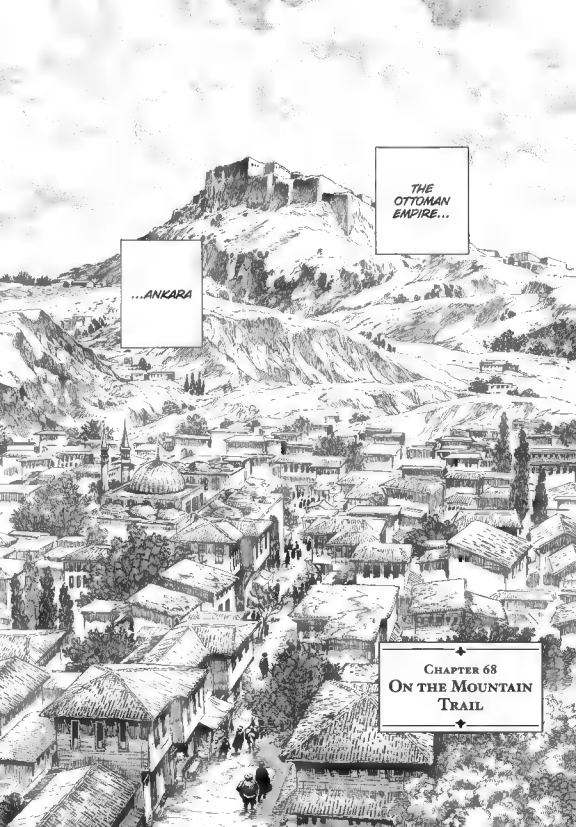
...YOU
FINISHED
YOUR
SPREE BY
SHEARING
ON A GOAT.



I
SUPPOSE
NOT.







THE
OTTOMAN
EMPIRE...

...ANKARA

◆
CHAPTER 68
ON THE MOUNTAIN
TRAIL
◆





FORGIVE
ME, BUT
I HAVE A
FAVOR TO
ASK.

I'M
GLAD
YOU'VE
BEEN
FOUND.



YOU
CALLED,
MR.
HAWKINS?

YES.



.....YES.

SMITH.

HENRY
SMITH.



DO
YOU
REMEM-
BER
HIM?

YOU ONCE
DELIVERED A
LETTER TO
A FRIEND OF
MINE.



.....

A MR.
SMITH?



...BUT
EVEN
SO, HE'S
LATE.



I AM
AWARE THAT
OFTEN THE
PLANS OF
TRAVELERS
GO AWRY...



IT HAS
BEEN QUITE A
WHILE SINCE
HE WROTE TO
SAY HE WAS
COMING TO
ANKARA.

HE
SHOULD
HAVE
ARRIVED
SOME TIME
AGO.



I MUST
ASK YOU
TO LOOK
INTO THIS.

EVEN IF IT
IS MERELY A
RUMOR OF
HIS WHERE-
ABOUTS.



OR IS
THERE SOME
OTHER
REASON
HE HASN'T
ARRIVED?

HAS HIS
ARRIVAL
SIMPLY BEEN
DELAYED...?



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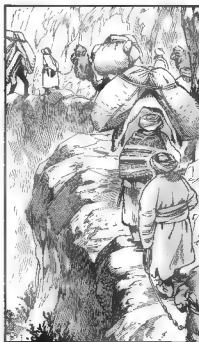
I
UNDER-
STAND.



HE
HAS BEEN
KNOWN TO
DAWDLER.

AND AT
TIMES, HIS
CURIOSITY
CAN GET HIM
TERRIBLY
SIDETRACKED.

I DO
NOT WANT
HIM IN
DANGER.







SO WHAT I'M SAYING IS, YOU SHOULD TAKE CARE EVEN IF YOU GET USED TO IT.

THE ONES WHO ARE USED TO IT FALL.

THEY FALL BECAUSE THEY KNOW THE ROAD.



I'M TELLING YOU TO BE CAREFUL.



YES?

EH?

WHAT DID YOU ASK?



YES, I DO.

AH!

YOU GOT A FRIEND IN ANKARA WAITING FOR YOU, RIGHT?



ALTHOUGH, HE IS QUITE A BIT OLDER THAN I AM.



WE'VE KNOWN EACH OTHER SINCE OUR SCHOOL DAYS.

QUITE A LONG TIME NOW THAT I THINK ON IT.

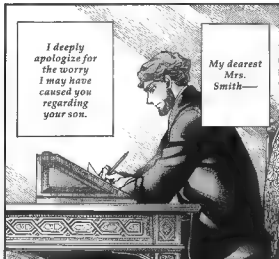


SAY, WHAT KIND OF GUY IS THIS FRIEND OF YOURS?



*I deeply
apologize for
the worry
I may have
caused you
regarding
your son.*

*My dearest
Mrs.
Smith—*



*I feel certain
I shall be
sending you
good news in
the very near
future.*

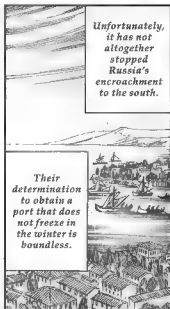
*I am afraid
we have
yet to be
reunited...*

*...though
I have
dispatched
servants to
ascertain
his progress.*



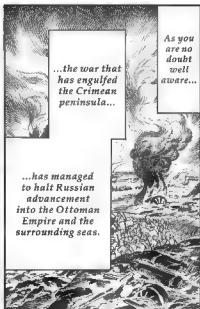
*Unfortunately,
it has not
altogether
stopped
Russia's
encroachment
to the south.*

*Their
determination
to obtain a
port that does
not freeze in
the winter is
boundless.*



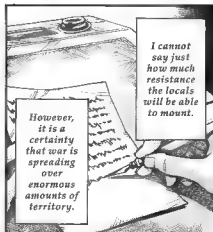
*...the war that
has engulfed
the Crimean
peninsula...*

*...has managed
to halt Russian
advancement
into the Ottoman
Empire and the
surrounding seas.*



*As you
are no
doubt
well
aware...*





However,
it is a
certainty
that war is
spreading
over
enormous
amounts of
territory.

I cannot
say just
how much
resistance
the locals
will be able
to mount.



...and they are
getting serious
with their
movements
toward
Turkistan.

The Russians
are invading
on a number
of fronts...



I shall spare
no effort to
ensure that he
returns safely
to you and
England.

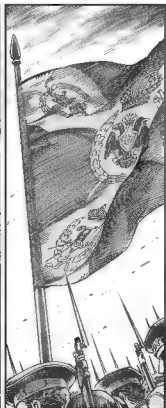
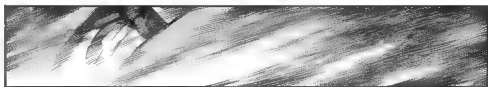


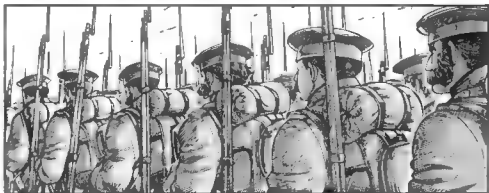
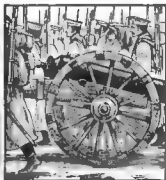
...is dear
to me
as well.

Rest
assured
your son,
Henry
Smith...



Please
rest
assured
of that.













WHAT WAS
THAT ABOUT,
DO YOU
SUPPOSE?



Y...

YES!



VEN-
GEANCE?



SOMEONE
RUNNING
FROM
VENGEANCE.



BLOOD
FOR
BLOOD IS
THE RULE
OF THIS
AREA.

SO SOME
PEOPLE RUN
AND TRY TO
LIVE IN THE
MOUNTAINS.



IF
SOMEONE
■ YOUR
FAMILY IS
KILLED...

IT'S THE
CUSTOM
OF THIS
REGION.

...YOU
HUNT DOWN
THE ONE WHO
DID IT AND
KILL HIM.



ACK!



WHAT
DOES
THAT
MEAN?

CAN
YOU GIVE
ME A
LITTLE
MORE
DETAIL?



ALI,
NO...

NOT
YOU
TOO...



IF
SOMEONE
WAS KILLED
SEVEN GENER-
ATIONS EARLIER...

THE
RULE IS
ABSO-
LUTE.

...THEN YOU
GET REVENGE,
EVEN IF IT
TAKES SEVEN
MORE GENER-
ATIONS.



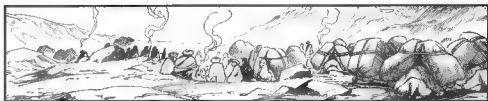
IT'S A
MATTER
OF
PRIDE.

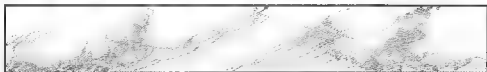
YOU CANNOT
LIVE AS A
VICTIM.

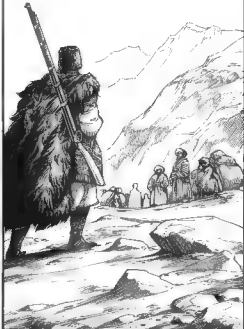


WE
DON'T
HAVE THAT
CUSTOM
WHERE
I COME
FROM.

BUT
THERE'S
SOMETHING
SIMILAR.
THERE'S
ALWAYS
SOMETHING
SIMILAR.















◆
CHAPTER 69
REUNION
◆





...IN
ANKARA.



ALL
RIGHT.

THEN
I'LL BE
TAKING
OUR
BAGGAGE
DOWN.



I SUSPECT
MY FRIEND,
HAWKINS, IS
AWAITING MY
ARRIVAL...

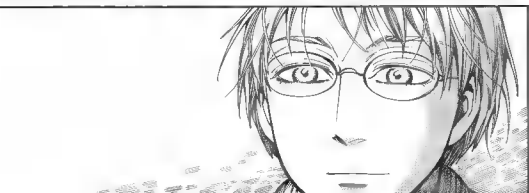
...SO
I'LL GO
SHOW MY
FACE QUICK.



NOW
WHAT?

AH. GOOD
QUESTION.









WELL, I
HAVE NO
INTENTION
OF DYING.



I WON'T
HAVE YOU
DYING OUT
HERE!



DO YOU
THINK ANYONE
WILL CARE YOU'RE
NOT RUSSIAN ON
A BATTLEFIELD?

AND I'VE
PROMISED
YOUR MOTHER
I'D SEE YOU
SAFELY BACK
HOME.



OUT
OF THE
QUESTION.
GO
HOME.

WHAT I'D
LIKE IS TO
RETURN
ONE LAST
TIME AND
TAKE
PHOTOS.



IT'S
POSSIBLE
THAT ALL
I'M DOING IS
COLLECTING
RARE ITEMS
AND SIGHTS
THAT WILL GO
NOWHERE.

BUT I
BELIEVE
THERE IS
VALUE IN
THAT AS
WELL.



IF I WERE
DIGGING UP
RUINS, I
COULD DO
THAT WHEN
I'M OLD.

BUT
EXPLORING
DISTANT
LANDS...
THERE'S
A LIMIT TO
WHAT YOU
CAN DO IN
OLD AGE.

LIFE IS
SHORT AS
IT IS.



I...

...NEED TO
DO THIS
WHILE I
CAN.







I HAVEN'T ACTUALLY DIED YET, YOU KNOW.

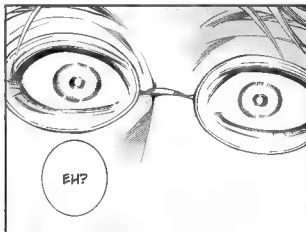


















I
MARRIED HER
THROUGH AN
ARRANGEMENT
WITH MY
RELATIVES.



NO
ONE HAD
MENTIONED
IT TO ME
BEFORE-
HAND...

WELL,
THAT
ISN'T
GOOD
FOR ME
EITHER.

...SO I WAS
AT A LOSS
FOR WHAT
TO DO.



WHEN
WE MET
ON OUR
WEDDING
DAY...

...SHE WAS
IN TEARS
BECAUSE
SHE LOVED
SOMEONE
ELSE.



WELL, I
COULDN'T
JUST LET
HER GO
ALONE.

WHEN I
ASKED
WHAT SHE
WANTED...

...SHE SAID
SHE'D LIKE
TO GO AND
FIND YOU.



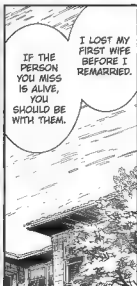
I MEAN, WE
ARE SORT
OF MARRIED,
AFTER ALL.













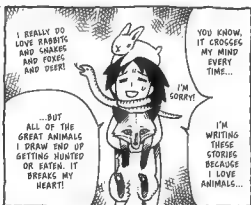
AFTERWORD





AFTERWORD YIP-YIP!  MANGA!!

COME, FALLING SNOW!
COME, FALLING HAIL!



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